

CITY COUNCIL - CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL
AUGUST 20, 1952

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:10 p.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 1952; Councilmen Preszler, Rinn, Richey, Robinson and Haskell (Mayor) present; none absent.

The minutes of the previous meeting, August 6, 1952, were approved as written and mailed.

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVE
DRIVEWAYS AND
STORM DRAINS
FOR RICHFIELD
OIL COMPANY

Letter was read from the Richfield Oil Company requesting permission to widen two driveways on their property on East Lockeford Road to a width of 35 feet. The letter pointed out that when curbs and gutters are installed at the level advised by the City Engineer, they will be a foot below that of the adjoining property thereby creating a problem of standing water during storms. It was the Company's request that the City of Lodi install a catch basin with the necessary drain line to allow this drainage to enter the City storm sewer. Mr. Weller presented the following recommendations of the City Engineer: (1) If possible the driveways be cut down to 32 feet to allow enough space for four parking spaces; (2) that a catch basin be installed which would drain some of the area to the west as well as the Richfield property, one-half of this cost to be borne by the City; and (3) that Richfield be charged the standing fee of \$175 per acre for storm drain installation and service. Councilman Preszler moved that the request for driveways be granted with the request that the Company reduce the width to 32 feet if possible and that the recommendations of the City Engineer be adopted regarding the drainage problem. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rinn and passed.

ARMY THANKS
CITY

Letter from Headquarters, 5th Reconnaissance Technical Squardon, Travis Air Force Base, expressing gratitude for being allowed the use of Lodi Municipal Lake for a picnic on August 13, 1952, and praising the foresight of the citizens of Lodi for development of the recreation area.

CVD, LCC
ELECTION
RESULTS

Letter from Michael Dambrosio, Secretary of the Central Valley Division of the League of California Cities, advising the Council of the recent election of Lawrence L. Ventre to membership in the Board of Directors of the League of California Cities.

ALL-WEATHER
ROUTE THRU
SIERRAS
RES. 1694

Letter from the City of Auburn requesting the City Council to pass a resolution endorsing an all-weather military highway over the Sierra Nevada Mountains was read by the City Manager. After due discussion Councilman Robinson moved the adoption of Resolution 1694 calling upon Congressional and Senatorial representatives to take necessary action to provide a major four lane military route to the San Francisco Bay area over the Sierras. The motion was seconded by Councilman Richey and passed unanimously.

RES. 1693
INTENTION
TO ANNEX
45TH ADDITION

Mr. Weller presented a petition for annexation signed by the owners of property lying south of West Lockeford Street between the extension of Loma Drive and Cross Street. Mr. Ray Van Buskirk addressed the Council and stated that the Council should observe the rights of the present citizens, particularly in regard to water supply, before new additions are added to the City. Mr. Weller explained that the water pressure varies within the City and that each annexation must be examined before its effect upon the water pressure or water supply can be determined. There is no water shortage at present, but the City must eventually expand its facilities. Resolution 1693, declaring the intention of the City Council to annex the territory, was adopted on the motion of Councilman Preszler, Richey second, with the provision that all buildings in the subdivision are to be inspected by the proper City authorities to insure compliance with all the City standards, such provision to be a condition of annexation and a part of the approval of the Resolution of Intention.

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

RES. 1692
AWARD $\frac{1}{2}$ -TON
PICKUP

Mr. Weller reported that bids had been received from two firms wishing a contract to supply the City with a half-ton pickup truck. The bid from Loewen Auto Company was recommended as the lowest bid meeting specifications. Award of the contract to Loewen Auto Company was made on the motion of Councilman Rinn, Preszler second.

FIRE HOSE
SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications for 2800 feet of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch fire hose were adopted on the motion of Councilman Preszler, Richey second. Closed specifications were adopted in order to permit the Fire Department to standardize on the "Cracker-jack" brand offered by the American Rubber Company.

CLAIMS

Claims in the amount of \$40,063.01 were approved and ordered paid on the motion of Councilman Richey, Robinson second.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

RES. 1691
INTENTION
TO ANNEX
LOWE'S
ADDITION

The petition requesting annexation of the Lowe property south of Kettleman Lane was returned from the Planning Commission with the recommendation that the territory be annexed. Councilman Robinson reviewed the action taken at the Planning Commission, explaining that the tentative subdivision map had been altered to provide two east-west streets giving access to the 150 foot strip between the development and the railroad. Mayor Haskell questioned Mr. J. J. Mangusto, Oakridge Realty Development Company, regarding speed with which the area was to be developed. He stated that the City wanted an understanding with the developers that the extension of utilities could not be completed in a period of 60 or 90 days. Mr. Mangusto stated that ground would not be broken for the project until after the present crop was harvested; he expected houses to be complete within 90 days thereafter. Mayor Haskell pointed out that he did not want the facts regarding the completion date for utility extension misrepresented to the purchasers of homes in the subdivision. Councilman Rinn questioned Mr. Mangusto relative to the type of housing to be constructed and the character of people who will buy the houses, saying that the citizens of Lodi should know what they are going to get before they annex territory. Councilman

Preszler stated that he had been looking for a project of this nature for a long time, that this was needed to stop Lodi citizens from going to Lincoln Village to purchase homes. At this time Councilman Preszler moved to adopt Resolution No. 1691 declaring the intention of the Council to annex the uninhabited territory. After further discussion, the motion was seconded by Councilman Robinson and passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen Preszler, Robinson and Haskell

NOES: Councilmen Rinn and Richey

ABSENT: None

Before the final vote was taken, the City Manager apprised the Council of the provisions of Section 35305 of the Government Code which makes passage of such a resolution mandatory at this stage in the proceedings. In casting his vote in favor of the resolution, Mayor Haskell pointed out that he was doing so in order to comply with the law. Mr. Ray Van Buskirk again addressed the Council urging it to accept the water well on the Lowe property which had been offered to the City at no cost by Mr. Mangusto.

APPROVE
VARIANCE
LUHS

A memorandum from the Secretary of the City Planning Commission recommending that the Board of Trustees of Lodi Union High School be granted a variance for the construction of class rooms at the corner of California and Walnut Streets. Councilman Robinson, Richey second, moved that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be adopted. The motion passed unanimously.

The City Manager reported that the Parking Committee had set a date for its first meeting and that all members had been notified.

HALL OF
JUSTICE

Mayor Haskell reported that negotiations with the County Board of Supervisors over the question of renting courtroom space to the County had progressed to the point that the City can consider going ahead with the construction of the Hall of Justice. He suggested that the Council select the architects as soon as possible. The City Manager reported that the firm of Hurt, Trudell and Berger had shown a continued interest in the project and that the firm had considerable experience with this type of construction. Councilman Rinn stated that the City should secure a written contract with the architects and that such contract should be submitted to the Council for approval. Mr. Weller replied that there is a standard contract for this purpose and that he believed that any firm would be willing to enter into such contract. Councilman Robinson suggested that a representative of Hurt, Trudell and Berger be invited to address the Council. The discussion that followed brought out the point that the Council had interviewed a representative of the firm a year ago. At the suggestion of Councilman Rinn, it was agreed that Hurt, Trudell and Berger would be asked to submit a contract and that the City Manager invite a representative of the firm to attend the next Council meeting.

SPECIAL
MEETING

Mayor Haskell called for a meeting of the Council as a Committee of the Whole on the evening of Wednesday, August 27, 1952, for the purpose of discussing matters barred from the regular Council meeting by lack of time.

THOMPSON
ROOM FOR
LIBRARY

The City Manager reported that the Librarian had submitted plans for renaming the California Room in honor of Wilson H. Thompson and refurnishing the room as a suitable tribute as requested by the Council on June 25, 1952. Councilman Rinn moved, Richey second, that the City pay for the costs of refurnishing the Wilson H. Thompson Room of the Library. The motion was passed unanimously.

REQUIRE
ST. PAUL'S
AM. LUTHERAN
CHURCH TO
PAY CHARGE

The City Manager brought up the subject of an unpaid bill due the City from the Lutheran Church for construction of curbs, gutters and storm drains. The costs of the construction was \$1393.13. The church was only willing to pay \$10 per month but to date has paid nothing. The City Manager was instructed to contact representatives of the church and attempt a satisfactory settlement, but in any event the monthly payments must be in excess of \$10 a month.

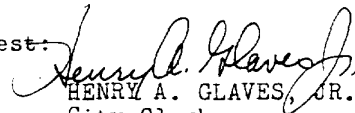
DISAPPROVE
REQUEST FOR
DIAGONAL
PARKING

The report of the City Engineer on the matter of parking on North School Street and West Elm Street, carried over from the last meeting, was read. The report stated that approximately eleven more cars could be parked on the north side of Elm Street in the block between Sacramento and School Streets if parking were changed from parallel to diagonal, but that if such change were made the width of travel way in the street would be shortened by six feet. The City Engineer recommended that the present parallel parking be continued. The possibility of installing 12 minute limit parking meters in front of the banks was discussed. It was agreed that such a possibility should be suggested to the Parking Committee by the City Manager. Councilman Rinn moved, Richey moved, Richey second, that the parallel parking be retained on the north side of Elm Street and on the east side of School Street within the areas designated. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen Rinn, Richey and Haskell
NOES: Councilmen Preszler and Robinson
ABSENT: None

The meeting was adjourned on the motion of Councilman Robinson at 11:10 p.m.

Attest:


HENRY A. GLAVES, JR.
City Clerk